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CHINESE SEA GRUB.

COST OF FEEDING A PAGAN ON AN OCEAN STEAMER.

A Crowd of Celestials Leaving San Francisco for Far Cathay - A Quarrelsome Set of Passengers - Little Waste in Feeding - Profits.

The Oceanic Steamship company's office was crowded the other forenoon by Chinamen anxious to avail themselves of the reduced rate of passage by the Canadian Pacific.

"Don't you migrate the office after the China steamer leaves?" asked a Hawaiian dandy, who struggled to the counter through the jostling crowd of Chinamen to secure a passage to Honolulu by the Australia.

"What do you?" was the retort. "You should be familiar with the essence of Cathay, as you come from Honolulu."

"Of course I am, but nothing so rank as this."

"Good morning, all the same. There are no deadheads in the Chinese passenger trade, no round trip complimentary tickets."

"Everything is on a basis of United States gold coin and no credit."

Happening along at lunch, the lead time opened was followed by the Chinese waiter, who brought the dispenser of hospitality at a neighboring hotel bar.

"Have you had experience in that trade?"

"Yes, for years. I have been employed in the Chinese trade quite a long time, but I have quit the sea."

"I have an army with them. They are quarrelsome and dangerous, and there are always some lawless fellows who stir up trouble."

"They tell the ignorant coolies their rights, and if we were not prepared to fight at the drop of a hat it would be all up with us and the ship."

"What is the rate of passage?"

"Twenty-five dollars and whatever we can get for freight."

"Can't tell. Know only what we are doing."

"How much money pay the Canadian Pacific on a thirty day voyage, when the old lines could barely manage to get along with a \$50 rate?"

"I should smile. But you just skimpish around and find out."

"What does it cost to feed Chinese passengers?"

"I brought over 1,500 of them one trip at an average cost of four or five cents a day per man. Yes, it was a little pinch, but they had enough."

"Up to 200 a fair average of the cost is ten cents per head daily, above that the average is ten cents, but that depends on circumstances."

"What kind of food do they get?"

"Chilly rice. No take twenty six different kinds of dishes. We take white beans, brown beans, black beans, red beans, green beans - every kind of bean; orange peel, saucers, dried shrimps, dried fish, dried mushrooms, although they get it, but they don't like it."

"Five pounds of fresh beef will go as far with 100 Chinamen as with five white men. They take a big mass of rice and a small piece of fresh meat, which they lift, bite off a small morsel, and return to the dish. Then they pitch into the rice with their chopsticks and sample the sauce. They are fond of salt pork and salt meat. Fresh meat goes further. They should never get salted meat or pork."

"Have you ever had trouble with Chinese passengers?"

"Yes, I remember once in the Peking we had a thousand of them, and they kicked about their food. I went down to find out what the trouble was, and then brought down the chief officer. The rice was not cooked to their liking."

Without the Middleman's Aid.

Every morning there comes to the house in which I live a fine, hale old man, with the fresh scent of country lanes about him, who brings an abundant supply of vegetables of a quality one can buy find in the most expensive green grocer and fruit stores.

He makes a business of selling the products of his little market garden across the North river to a choice list of customers in certain apartment houses of the better order. He sells all that he can deliver, and the prices he gets, while reasonable enough to satisfy his patrons, are sufficiently liberal to compensate him handsomely.

There are other men, I notice, who make a specialty of milk, eggs and other fresh table commodities, which they deliver after the same fashion, directly from their farms or poultry yards. They pay no tribute to a middleman, nor are they under any expense for a city shop. They begin by drumming up custom in good humor, and as they serve the best of material, are not long in establishing a profitable connection. After this it is plain sailing with them.

The business of putting up preserves and jellies seems also to be extensively followed by rural housewives, who seek their industry in much the same way. Some of them advertise in the family papers, and the majority employ a drummer to beat up custom in town.

The fact that they can afford the expense of advertisement or the salary of an agent, and still make a greater profit than if they sold their products to the shops, may serve as a slight hint of the proportions of gain that fall to the middle man or retailer. A man in Portland who has quite an extensive fruit farm, which, thanks to his passion for improving varieties, produces some of the finest fruit in the country, informs me that he now gets nearly three times as much for the product of his orchard which he retails himself, than he did when he sold it to a fruiterer. And still his customers get it cheaper than they did from the fruit shop. - Alfred Trumble in New York News.

For instance, an all-wool Chinchilla Overcoat at \$10 - former price, \$18.

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"FORMER PRICES."

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MR. BRIDGEMAN announces that he will "stick." He knows when he has a good thing, no matter how many men are opposed.

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The fourth of March will be significant for two events: on that day Harrison will be inaugurated, and on the same day Cleveland will send in his last message, leaving a pension bill.

CLEVELAND, we are told, has received a guarantee of \$50,000 per year from the new firm, which he is to be identified with in New York. How many lawyers of considerable ability than the President can do credit for possessing are pegging away for a paltry \$5,000, and thinking that they are no worse off?

The Salvation Army crew has taken possession of fashionable New York society. Wealthy ladies are beginning to put on poke bonnets and sing falsetto songs, but they have not yet arrived at that degree of grace which would enable them to go out in the byways and beat the triangle of salvation among the slums. However, if it gets to be fashionable they will soon get there.

Six states of the solid South the majority of colored voters over white voters is almost 300,000, and there are also many white Republicans in the same states. But in the vote of the same states as returned the Democrats had 317,000 majority. The fraud amounts, therefore, to over 600,000 votes. Do these states have governments "republican in form," which Congress is required by the Federal Constitution to guarantee to each state?

Things are settled. Mr. Ingalls has announced that there will be no further formalities connected with the election of Harrison and Morton until the inauguration—no letter of notification nor anything of the kind. He says that it is a matter of general information that they have been elected, and they have just as good opportunity for learning the fact as any other people. How great and good are the newspapers of the land. If they did not persistently tell the truth about current events some people might get the idea that somebody else was elected. For the press, agreeing upon the question, everybody accepts their say so, and that is the press.

A Washington letter writer says that "Cleveland couldn't be elected dog-outcher in Washington." And the letter writer gives reasons for the expression, people from the fact that a man is always unpopular about Washington after he comes to live off his disposal. Mr. Cleveland, according to this authority, has personally and from the very beginning of his administration, utterly ignored the people of the District of Columbia in the selection of their local officers. Whenever he has had a local office to fill he has apparently taken a genuine delight in filling it with somebody who has not a single interest connecting him with the people who live in the district. In direct violation of the platform upon which he was elected he has imposed upon the helpless people of the district such officers as pleased him, without regard to the wishes of the people most nearly concerned. He has ruthlessly used his office to pay his own political debts, and has done so persistently, apparently because they have no vote to be affected by anything he may do. This letter writer believed that it was not the tariff alone which defeated Mr. Cleveland, but that his failure to impress himself upon his party with sufficient force to make him popular, and of which his treatment of the Washington people as a sample, was what did the business for him. This writer records, also, his opinion of the great difference between Cleveland and Harrison. The former, he says, came into office with an exaggerated opinion of his importance and functions. He wanted to lift things, but the trouble he experienced was the lack of the things he tried to lift, and the difficulty of finding a good place on which to stand. He has been busy for four years trying to balance himself on the mangy stump, while the Democratic rank sank under his feet. Harrison will have a strong and solid rock to stand upon, and he will keep both feet upon it.

Coming Next Week.
Tuesday evening, February 19th, the popular eccentric comedian, Mr. John Wild and a company of well known comedians will appear in his laughable musical comedy, "Running Wild." Of Mr. Wild's success at the Star, New York, the Sun says:

"The friends and admirers of John Wild have come forward in generous numbers to see us in our first appearance in this city, and the success of the evening has been a record for the city. The success of the evening has been a record for the city. The success of the evening has been a record for the city."

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DE LESSEPS' FOLLY.

Graphic Description of the Collapse of the Panama Canal Scheme.

Money Poured Out Like Water and Nothing to Show for the Reckless Expenditures.

Contractors on the Work as Well as Stockholders Abroad Among the Victims of the Failure.

New York, Feb. 16.—Two hundred and fifty million dollars sunk in the Panama canal scheme, and the work practically abandoned. That is the condition of affairs as stated by a railroad man who recently returned to New York after a two years' residence down there. He says there is no question about the canal project being a failure, and that within a short time work will entirely cease, and every body who can do so will abandon the scene of "the Lesseps' folly" which is now a scene of a dismal of triumphs.

The information tells a remarkable story of the recklessness with which money was squandered on the proposed canal, and says every element of the project will be verified by official information. The situation, as he pictures it, is as follows: When the last mail left the Atlantic only a few small gangs of men were at work on the canal, and it was conceded that they must stop in a few weeks at the furthest. The last important diversion from the work took place February 1, when the contractor on the Panama side, M. J. C. Lesseps, was discharged. From time to time the men were discharged. They became turbulent as the unemployed increased in number, and the Colombian Government found it necessary to place on duty a large guard of soldiers, and have the line of the Panama canal guarded to prevent outbreaks. The negroes were paid small wages, and being shiftless, saved nothing, and when they happened to have some money they were used to buy rum, and when they were drunk they would run riot on the canal, and when they were sober they would be peaceful. American, French and English men-of-war are in anchor in Colon, ready to protect the men of the respective countries.

It is necessary not only on the canal, but also on the railroad a large number of men have been thrown out of work. When canal-building was being pushed there were four passenger trains run on the railroad, but now two are more than sufficient, and half of the force has been discharged, and those still at work are threatened with a reduction of wages. This is the dry season, and there is consequently not so much sickness as there will be when the wet season sets in. Then, unless the men are returned to their homes, it is feared they will do like sheep. When the Compagnie Universelle Transatlantique began work in 1880, it gave out the contract, but prepared to dig the canal, but the contract was given to the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, and the latter company was to build the canal, and the former company was to build the railroad. The French government was to build the canal, and the American government was to build the railroad. The French government was to build the canal, and the American government was to build the railroad.

Before these improvements were made, the only wheeled vehicle in the city was a carriage provided for the hospital nurses; but now carriages abound. At the same time the proposed line of the canal money has been lavishly expended for the comfort and even luxury of the company's officers, and all of whom lived while the bubble floated. This extravagance had a counterpart in the way money was thrown away on the work of canal digging until three or four years ago, when contracting began, and the money was very little to show for the vast outlay of two hundred and fifty million dollars, which is said to be the amount sunk.

The only work actually developed by the canal from C. to B. is a distance of thirteen miles. This work was chiefly through swamps, and was done by an American dredging company. The only hard work was at Mexico, where for a distance of three or four hundred yards blasting was necessary owing to rock obstructing the way. This section is a comparatively small fraction of the entire work proposed, as the other thirty-four or thirty-five miles of the canal were surveyed over mountains, some of them breaking with rock. On the Canal considerable work was done, but it was not anywhere nearly finished, and elsewhere very little was accomplished.

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The American Dredging Company is among the concerns reported not to have been paid in full, and its representatives have gone to Paris. Americans have not been paid to a considerable extent by the cessation of work, as all of the railroad employees and the dredging company's workmen are from this country. The canal company's employees, except the laborers, all of whom are negroes, are, as a rule, Frenchmen, and they are grumbling about unpaid salaries.

As an evidence of the complete collapse of Panama's bright prospects, it is mentioned that while the Government of Colombia, which is more than thirty years old, has been a model of good government, the United States, which is more than thirty years old, has been a model of bad government. The United States, which is more than thirty years old, has been a model of bad government.

THE YORKTOWN.
Satisfactory Trial of the New Gunboat Under Severe Tests.
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—The United States steel gunboat Yorktown returned yesterday from her trial cruise down Delaware bay and out into the ocean. Commander Fitzhugh speaks generally in high praise of the craft. On Wednesday a run was made straight out to sea, and in coming back, the Yorktown made a run of four hours, with a pilot breeze on deck, and a heavy sea. The ship was in perfect order, and the crew was in high spirits. The ship was in perfect order, and the crew was in high spirits.

THE OFFICERS AND CREW, from the Commodore down to the stokers, are loud in their praise of the Yorktown, and they believe that she will prove the pride of the American navy, at least until the mammoth cruisers Baltimore, Philadelphia and Newark shall come forth to bear the American flag.

Commander Fitzhugh promptly announced the general result to the Secretary of the Navy. There seems to be no doubt that his report will be entirely favorable, and that the gunboat Yorktown will be accepted and prepared at once to receive her command.

A Big Excursion of Canadian Members of Parliament to Visit the United States.
CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—A local paper says that the proposed excursion through the Middle Southern and Eastern States for the members of the Canadian House of Commons and the Canadian Members of Parliament as to the actual condition and resources of this country, is to be a fact and not a fancy. The matter has been discussed in the government circles, and it is said that the members of the Canadian House of Commons and the Canadian Members of Parliament will be accompanied by a large number of their families.

At the larger cities, such as Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and New York, two days will be spent, but the day in the city will be limited to one day. Arrangements were made with the Pullman company yesterday, S. J. Ritchie, of Akron, O., representing the parties interested in the excursion, and Mr. Ritchie is a large property owner in Canada, and is on intimate terms with the leading statesmen of that country. He has been one of the foremost in advocating commercial reciprocity between the two countries, and his efforts are directed more at leveling the commercial barrier than at the political one. He has received the promise of many leading Canadian politicians of both parties that they would be pleased to take the trip. The expenses of the excursion will be borne entirely by a few gentlemen, unless Congress see fit to make an appropriation for the purpose.

Later in the season it is proposed to have the later-States Commerce Commission visit Canada, calling at every point where the Canadian railway lines cross the border, and the result of this investigation is expected to be a great deal toward smoothing matters between the two countries. Senator Callum will have charge of the latter expedition.

Important Negotiations.
BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 16.—The Washington correspondent telegraphs that Secretary Bayard stated last night that Minister Hubert is on the eve of negotiating a treaty of friendship and commerce with Japan, and that it is regarded as certain that Japan has been under the tutelage of Germany, France, Great Britain and Russia, which have discouraged any independent dealings by Japan with other powers.

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—Henry Kunhardt, Brazilian Consul at Boston, has been removed by President Legation.
—The Pennsylvania Senate on the 14th of the day the bill was defeated by a vote of 23 to 10.
—Latest advices from Samoa represent all parties as maintaining a truce with arms in hand.
—The President yesterday signed the commission of Norman J. Colman to be Secretary of Agriculture.
—The boiler-makers at the Edison iron works, Philadelphia, are on a strike. The use of foreign-made parts is the cause.
—The steamer Carondelet sailed Thursday from New York for New Orleans, with 138 cases of rifles, shells and ammunition on board.
—Mrs. Reed Smith, of Polaris, Tenn., who attempted to commit suicide several months ago by taking chloroform, died Thursday.
—The post-office at Fort Wayne, Ind., has been removed to the new Federal building recently completed at that place.
—Commander George Belknap has been ordered to duty in command of the Asiatic squadron, vice Rear-Admiral Chandler, deceased.
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2 doz. hard-wood clothes-pins, 5c.
18 boxes of Parlor Matches, 25c.
Bed Sees, 7c per package.
6 Gen. Pins, 10c.
Potted Pine Pens, 5c.
Large Pudding Pans, 10c and 12c.
Wash Basins, 5c, 10c, 12c.
Tins, 3c—two for 5c.
Hard-wood Toothpicks, 2500 for 5c.
Scrubbing Brushes, 10c.
Silverware Brushes, 15c.
Clothes Wingers, 15c.
Rising Sun Soap, 5c.
Dinner Plates, 25c a set up.
Cups and Saucers, from 45c up.
Ewer and Basin, 12c.

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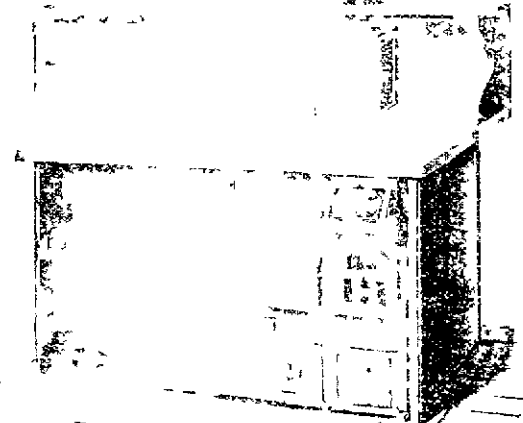
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CLOSING OUT SALE!

The wholesale and shoe firms of Ferriss & Lapham of Decatur, and L. L. Ferriss & Co., of Chicago, have been consolidated. The entire business will be transferred to Chicago, Ill., under the firm name of L. L. Ferriss & Co., as soon as the Decatur business can be closed out. We will on Tuesday, January 22d inst., inaugurate a GRAND CLOSING OUT SALE of \$50,000 WORTH OF BOOTS, SHOES, RUBBERS, FINDINGS, &c., which must be sold at

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NOTICE

This Catalogue, And see if there is not something that you would like to have

Pickled Pigs Feet, Pickled Tripe, Buckwheat Flour, Sauer Kraut, Evaporated Raspberries, Peaches, Apples and Prunes, Figs, Dates, Nuts, Cranberries, Cracker Meal, Preserves, Jams and Jellies, Windsor, Mocha and Java Coffee, Princess Tea.

FRESH OYSTERS EVERY MORNING.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SATURDAY EVE, FEB 16, 1889

LOCAL NEWS.

BOYS. Those Spring Guns have arrived at E. D. Bartholomew & Co's

COURT will convene on Monday

Two splendid comedies next week

BLISS GRASS Condition Powders at Irwin's Pharmacy are guaranteed pure and reliable

THERE was another merry phantom party last night at the Mrs. Sedgwick dancing rooms.

TELEPHONE. Nidermeyer for superior family groceries and fresh butter

MEMBER of the city council Monday night

KING & WOOD, Druggists, success to Henry Smith. Everything in the drug line at lowest prices—139 North Water street

ED. H. KLEB, who made trouble at the Salvation Army barracks was fined \$5 and costs yesterday by Justice Curtis

DECATUR did herself proud last night in treating the military dignitaries with such an elegant banquet. The visitors left for Springfield to day with only praises for Decatur

STOP at Johnson & Spence's grocery store on Merchant street and get any thing wanted for the table

THE remains of the late I. O. Eymann will be taken to Harrodsburg Sunday afternoon for burial

THE backbone of winter was apparently broken last night by a rise in the temperature and a heavy rain. Dense fog this morning with the mercury at 70 degrees above zero

GET ready to go to Springfield Monday and Tuesday to work hard for the location of the state fair at Decatur

ORDER the popular White Team from Use it

IN the Senate yesterday Senator Johns bill for the appointment of a State Board of Claims was advanced to a second reading

THE Duff Opera Co has written to have their date changed again and will not appear here on February 22d as announced

DERIVE the session of the Masonic School of Instruction in Decatur next week, three days beginning on Tuesday, the visiting brethren will make their headquarters at the New Deming hotel. Grand Officer Chamberlain will be in attendance

SUPERIOR family groceries and the best of country butter every day at J. Lytle & Co's store in opera block

THE piano you want is the celebrated Haines instrument, on sale only at C. B. Prescott's music parlor in opera block

M. T. KANAN has platted the old Shipman tract of land, in the northwest corner of the second ward and the lots are for sale

CHOICE fresh eggs and golden butter from the country at Hanks & Patterson's family grocery store 113 South Water street

GEO. P. BUDDE, one of the grand officers of the Red Men, attended a meeting of the Springfield Tribe in his official capacity

THE best of snuff at Shorb & Vasek's cigar store

A FINE line of family groceries and fruits at Moore Bros store in opera block

MAKE a guess at the sum of money in the Washington monument box at the postoffice. It will be opened by Mrs. Ewing on the 22d

REV. the reliably good White Loaf and Daily Bread flour, made by Shellbarger & Co

IN the county court to day Charles Adams pleaded guilty to the larceny of a pair of shoes from the Chicago shoe store and Judge Nelson sentenced him to the county jail for 60 days

FOR SALE, A few good lots in the land of Kanan See F. A. Lapham, 1636 1/2

REMOVED to new Library Building corner William and Main street, Nelson's Business College and Shortland Institute Entrance on Main street

DIED, At 56 North Market street February 15, 1889, D. M. Lyons, son of J. H. Lyons, aged 35 years

VINCENT LUNDBERG, of Stockholm, Physician in Chief to the King of Sweden, recommends Hall's Vegetable Decatur Grain Co.

WHEAT—107 Feb, 108 1/2 Mar, 111 1/2 May, 108 1/2 June, 109 1/2

PORE—\$11.05 Feb, \$11.05 Mar, \$11.17 May, \$11.05

LARD—\$6.55 Feb, \$6.55 Mar, \$6.65 May, \$6.65

RICE—\$5.62 Feb, \$5.62 Mar, \$5.97 May, \$5.97

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs 11,000, market steady

Cattle, 2,000, market steady

Our Lots—Wheat Winter, 27, Spring, 9, Corn, 42, Oats, 131.

Coming Home.

Mrs. David F. Hamsher is on her way home from El Paso, Texas, with the remains of her husband. She will reach Kansas City, Mo., Monday night, where her son-in-law, Rea C. England, will meet her and accompany her and the body to Decatur, arriving here on Tuesday morning. The time of the funeral will be announced on Tuesday

Justice Ira B. Curtis' individual and general contribution to the Mt. Vernon cyclone sufferers was \$16.25, instead of \$15.50 as incorrectly reported yesterday. The Justice in person gave \$5.00 and the balance was made up by subscriptions received at his office.

The Baptist Church.

There will be meetings next week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights. The meeting on Monday night will be a jubilee service at which all the new members of the Endeavor Society will participate. Twenty one persons will be baptized to morrow evening.

The death of Mrs. Emily Weed Barnes which occurred recently at Albany, N. Y., was the result of an accident which befel the lady while stepping off a train at her home. It was considered a trifling incident at the time but it produced peritonitis and caused death. Mrs. Barnes was a daughter of the late Thurlow Weed, who established the Journal at Albany in 1830. The lady was well known to Mrs. C. A. Ewing who met her lately on a visit to friends at Albany

Decatur's Delegates.

The Illinois Department, Grand Army of the Republic, will hold a two days' session at Springfield next week, beginning on Wednesday. The delegates from the Decatur Post are Past Post, Cornelius Kanan, Lytle, Steele, Durfee, Bittie Bingham, Barnes, Shorb, Commander Roberts and Comrades I. Barnard, W. Grason H. Johnson, J. T. Hubbard, E. H. Jeffers. The alternates are F. M. Young, P. R. Williams, W. Shockey, W. R. Bradley and S. J. Barnes. Many ladies and other comrades will be in attendance from Decatur

Normal Sunday School Institute

Commencing on Monday evening March 11th and closing the following Wednesday afternoon a Normal Sunday School Institute will be held in Decatur, probably at the Baptist church. Mr. W. B. Jacobs and others will have the institute in charge. It is designed as a means of instruction for S. S. teachers and superintendents and all interested in the progress of the Sunday school. Committees on arrangements and entertainment have been appointed and all persons outside the city desiring to attend this institute will be cared for during the time if they will notify W. J. Wayne, chairman of the entertainment committee, of their intention to attend

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. R. Spore is home to remain over Sunday

Born to Officer and Mrs. Frank Curran, Feb 16 a son

Miss Ella Halldeman, of Boston, is visiting Miss Jennie Montgomery

John Hatfield is suffering from a severe cold and rheumatism

D. W. Brennan is in home from a protracted stay in the east

A. W. Wells will soon begin the erection of a new dwelling at Ninete

Mayor Kanan represented the city at the military inspection and banquet last night

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Stafford and daughter, of Minneapolis, Minn., are guests of M. Stafford and family

Will A. Southwick may be appointed county clerk of Sangamon county to fill out the unexpired term of nearly two years now Mr. Doan deceased

Mrs. Jennie Miller, of Boston, is in the city. She delivers her lecture on Dress Reform at the Baptist church this afternoon under the auspices of the Woman's Club

At the John pentecostal W. E. West brook, sent up from Macon county for killing William Gross has been put to work in the stone department. He was sent up for 12 years

Sales of Real Estate.

Fred Neather to George Miller lots 12 and 13 block 5, body—\$50

Clarence F. Griffin to Henry E. Dickey, lot claim to interest in estate of William Dickey, deceased—\$1200

Far 35 members of the Dramatic Club were entertained by Miss Mary Voorhies last night when "Playing a Part" was the play presented. The principals were Miss Lucile Durfee and W. H. M. Strange. Miss R. Warren sang "You" with admirable expression. Mrs. Giesler Warren then rendered in a most delightful and artistic manner "Polonaise," by Oborski. There were refreshments and dancing

In Justice Proctor a court Sam Woody was given 120 days in jail for keeping a place of ill repute. One of the inmates was his sister who was sent to the poor house

Committee Meeting.

The members of the committee appointed to go to Springfield on Tuesday and look after Decatur's interest in the state fair project are requested to meet at the office of the county treasurer this evening at half past seven o'clock.

JAMES MULLEN, Chairman

The next meeting of the Central Illinois Teachers' Association will be held at Jacksonville March 15 and 16. This is the largest and most popular association in the state. Much time for general discussion is provided, and young teachers especially feel free to take part

While boring in an old well, 53 feet deep, on the farm of B. F. Hill, a few miles south of Clinton, a flow of natural gas was struck on Thursday and illuminated. A year or two since an inextinguishable flame came out of the same well nearly burning a man to death. The well is within seven miles of the famous Hallsville well

A DEATHFUL young lady became so badly disfigured with pimples and blotches that it was feared she would die of grief. A friend recommended Ayer's Sarsaparilla, which she took, and was completely cured. She is now one of the fairest of the fair

New Opening.

THE STAR RESTAURANT in connection with the Star Saloon, is now open in full bloom. Merchants 15c lunch from 11 to 12 o'clock. Hot soup and all kinds of meats and vegetables. Fresh Oysters in any style and everything desired to order, at any time. Open day and night. Business Beer & draught. Give us a try and we will guarantee satisfaction. Remember the place, 218 East Main street.

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HONORS TO THE GUARDS.

A Memorable Military Event and Sumptuous Banquet.

Decorative Testimonial to Regimental Officers and the Prize Company of the State

That the Decatur Guards, Co. H, 5th Regiment, I. N. G., with its membership of 48, have the enthusiastic support of our patrons, law-abiding citizens was fully attested last night by the magnificent ovation and banquet given in their honor and to Col. J. H. Barkley and his staff. It was a memorable occasion in military circles—a night of instruction to civilians as to the object of our volunteer soldiery, a time of entertainment and general good feeling. All felt better for having been given the privilege of contributing to the deserved testimonial, so well planned and brought to a happy close after the midnight hour

The visit yesterday of Colonel Barkley and his staff to inspect Company H was made the occasion of the ovation on the part of Decatur citizens, and an efficient committee had charge of the arrangements. They did their work well. The regimental visitors were Colonel J. H. Barkley, Lieutenant Colonel J. C. Oliver, Colonel Ewart, assistant adjutant general, Major J. J. Brinkerhoff, Captain John Black, adjutant, Major Griffith, Captain Skelly, regimental inspector of rifle practice, Lieutenant McCree, regimental quartermaster, Colonel J. A. Shaffer, inspector general, Sergeant Campbell, ordnance sergeant, Sergeant McCollister, regimental bugler. These officers visited the armory of the Decatur Guards at 8 o'clock, finding the spacious quarters beautifully decorated and filled with a large company of Decatur ladies and gentlemen who occupied seats at the sides of the hall. Colonel Barkley and staff were in regimental uniform and made quite a distinguished appearance. The Guards were out in full force in uniform and equipped for the inspection, Captain Frank P. Wells in command, assisted by Lieutenants Colquhoun and Dillman. After a few evolutions the company came to a company front, open order, when the regulation inspection began, conducted by the Colonel in person. To the spectators it was a monotonous proceeding, but to the Guards it was a ceremony of the liveliest interest, because they were somewhat embarrassed by the array of officials and the presence of so many ladies

MEDAL PRESENTATION

At the conclusion of the inspection came the presentation of prize medals won by the company at the last regimental encampment at Camp Lincoln. Members of the Decatur Guards won 21 badges, making the best record of all companies in the state and putting the Fifth Regiment at the head of all in the United States. It should be said that the scores required to win the different honors were, riflemen, 100 out of a possible 175 marksmen, 150 out of 200, experts, 200 out of 250, sharpshooters, 260 out of 300. The names of the winners were called out and all came to the front, including John McCollister, of the 4th's staff, who had qualified as a sharp shooter with a score of 251, and Private John Spalding, transferred to Co. H from Co. F. He is a rifleman with a score of 116

Colonel Barkley addressed the men briefly. He said "Captain Wells, nothing pleases me more than to have the honor of presenting to you and your company the badges you have won by skill at the state encampment. Company H won the highest honor in the fifth regiment, the regiment the highest in the state, and the National Guard the highest in the United States." Applause

The honors were presented to the Colonel, and he held them upon a silver while Captain Skelly went down the line and pinned the medals upon the winners as follows

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